

**UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL**  
**(Small Entity)***(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))*Docket No.  
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4**TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS****Box Patent Application**  
**Washington, D.C. 20231**

Transmitted herewith for filing under 35 U.S.C. 111(a) and 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) is a new utility patent application for an invention entitled:

**DEVICE AND METHOD FOR CHARTERING A SEAT ON GROUND TRANSPORTATION**

and invented by:

**William R. MAULSBY, 7 S 451 Donwood Drive, Naperville, Illinois 60540, USA; and Vipon SANDHIR, 6437 North Greenview Ave, Apartment 3, Chicago, Illinois 60626, USA**If a **CONTINUATION APPLICATION**, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information:☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No.: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Application Elements**

1. ☒ Filing fee as calculated and transmitted as described below
2. ☒ Specification having 27 pages and including the following:
  - a. ☒ Descriptive Title of the Invention
  - b. ☐ Cross References to Related Applications *(if applicable)*
  - c. ☐ Statement Regarding Federally-sponsored Research/Development *(if applicable)*
  - d. ☐ Reference to Microfiche Appendix *(if applicable)*
  - e. ☒ Background of the Invention
  - f. ☒ Brief Summary of the Invention
  - g. ☒ Brief Description of the Drawings *(if drawings filed)*
  - h. ☒ Detailed Description
  - i. ☒ Claim(s) as Classified Below
  - j. ☒ Abstract of the Disclosure

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3. ☒ Drawing(s) (when necessary as prescribed by 35 USC 113)

a. ☒ Formal      b. ☐ Informal      Number of Sheets 19

4. ☒ Oath or Declaration

a. ☒ Newly executed (original or copy)      ☐ Unexecuted

b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)) (for continuation/divisional application only)

c. ☒ With Power of Attorney      ☐ Without Power of Attorney

d. ☐ DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)

Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application,  
see 37 C.F.R. 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

5. ☐ Incorporation By Reference (usable if Box 4b is checked)

The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

6. ☐ Computer Program in Microfiche

7. ☐ Genetic Sequence Submission (if applicable, all must be included)

a. ☐ Paper Copy

b. ☐ Computer Readable Copy

c. ☐ Statement Verifying Identical Paper and Computer Readable Copy

## Accompanying Application Parts

8. ☒ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & documents)

9. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee)

10. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)

11. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement/PTO-1449      ☐ Copies of IDS Citations

12. ☐ Preliminary Amendment

13. ☒ Acknowledgment postcard

14. ☒ Certificate of Mailing

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15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) *(if foreign priority is claimed)*
16. ☒ Small Entity Statement(s) - Specify Number of Statements Submitted: 1
17. ☐ Additional Enclosures *(please identify below):*

**Request That Application Not Be Published Pursuant To 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)**

48. ☐ Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2), Applicant hereby requests that this patent application not be published pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(1). Applicant hereby certifies that the invention disclosed in this application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication of applications 18 months after filing of the application.

**Warning**

***An applicant who makes a request not to publish, but who subsequently files in a foreign country or under a multilateral international agreement specified in 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i), must notify the Director of such filing not later than 45 days after the date of the filing of such foreign or international application. A failure of the applicant to provide such notice within the prescribed period shall result in the application being regarded as abandoned, unless it is shown to the satisfaction of the Director that the delay in submitting the notice was unintentional.***

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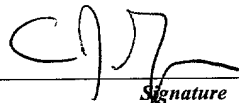
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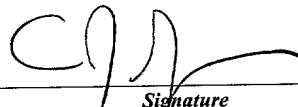
- ☒ Certificate of Mailing with Express Mail Mailing Label No. **EL 819 057 998US**
- ☒ **19** sheets of drawings.
- ☐ A certified copy of a \_\_\_\_\_ application.
- ☒ Declaration ☒ Signed. ☐ Unsigned.
- ☒ Power of Attorney
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ **One** Verified Statement(s) to Establish Small Entity Status Under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27.
- ☒ Other: **Assignment Recordation Form w/ 2 pg. Executed Assignment; Check for \$40.00; and return postcard**

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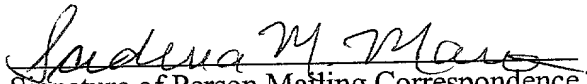
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